

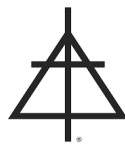


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Matthew 14:22-33

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- What happened the day before – and ought the disciples to have considered? How does Jesus little stroll reinforce the events of the day before? (consider Job 9:8; Psalm 107)
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- Consider some possible reasons why Simon asks to walk on the water
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- How come people tend to focus on Simon's sinking more than Simon's walking?
- The two poles of this passage:
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 - the sinking*Which is more soul-shaping?*
Which do we tend to pray for?

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He will hold us through the storms.
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But - He won't necessarily spare us from the storms.
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